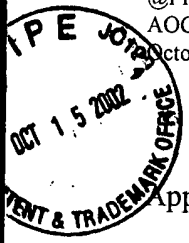


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- Applicant requests that the following pending applications be considered:

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U.S. Patent Application No. 10/227,488, by Junming Le, Jan Vilcek, Peter Daddona, John Ghrayeb, David M. Knight and Scott Siegel, filed August 23, 2002, Docket No.: 0975.1005-025

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- [X] The specification for the above cited co-pending application is identical to the present specification (10/043,436). Therefore, only a copy of the current claims for this application is enclosed. Copies of the specifications of the co-pending application will be provided upon request.
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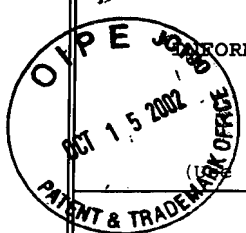
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